

FIG. 2

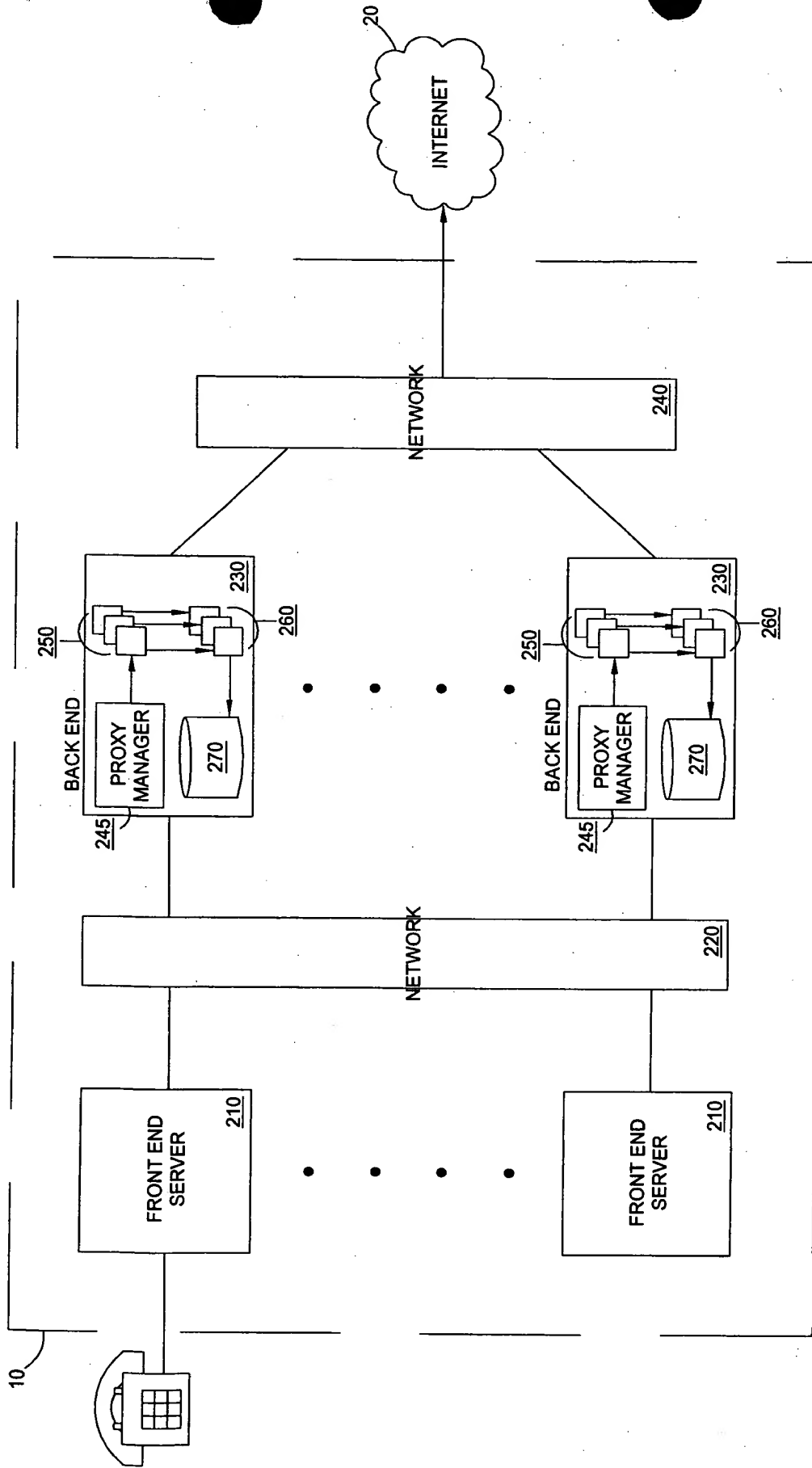
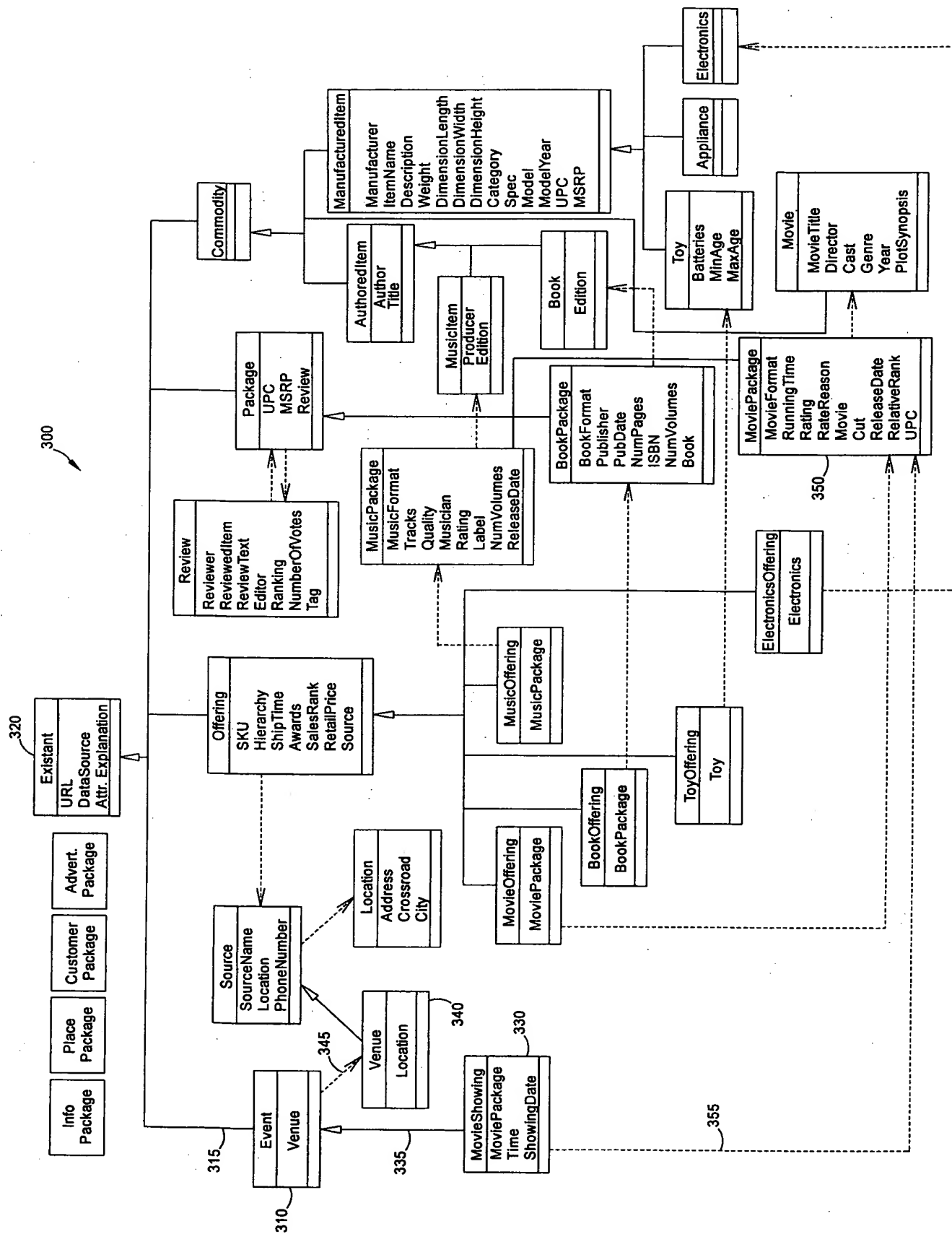


FIG. 3

300



00120" 60526500

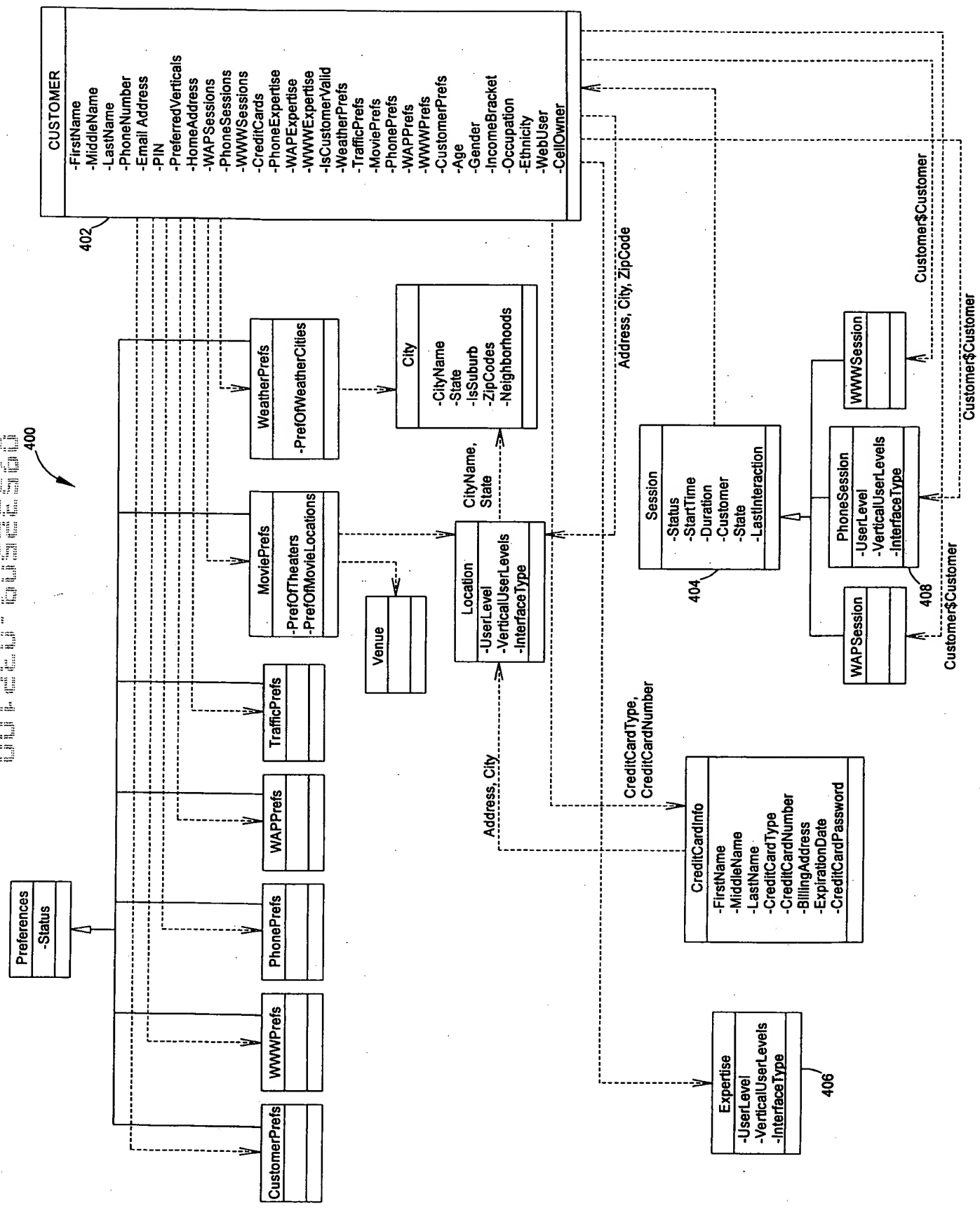


FIG. 5

450

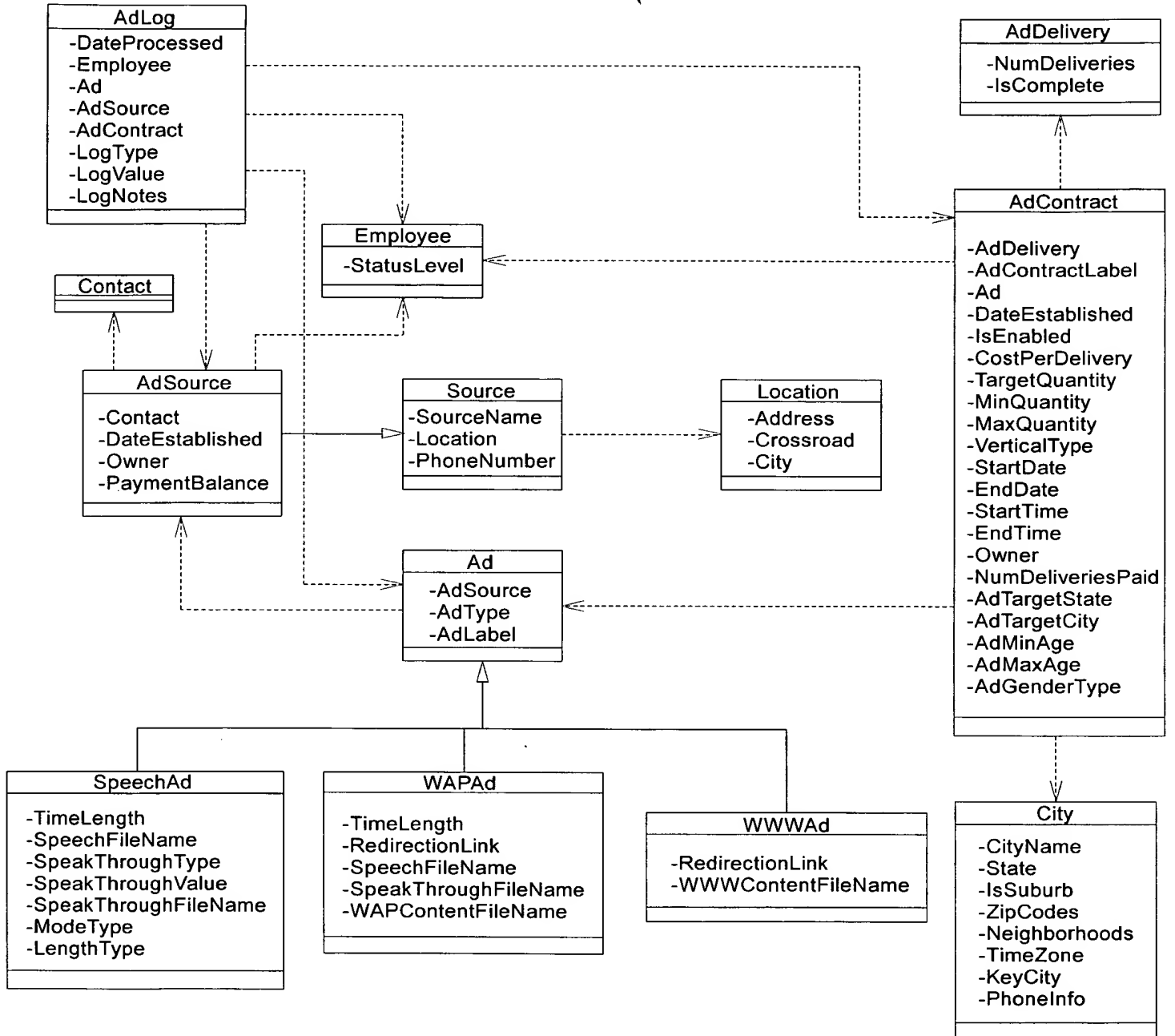


FIG. 6

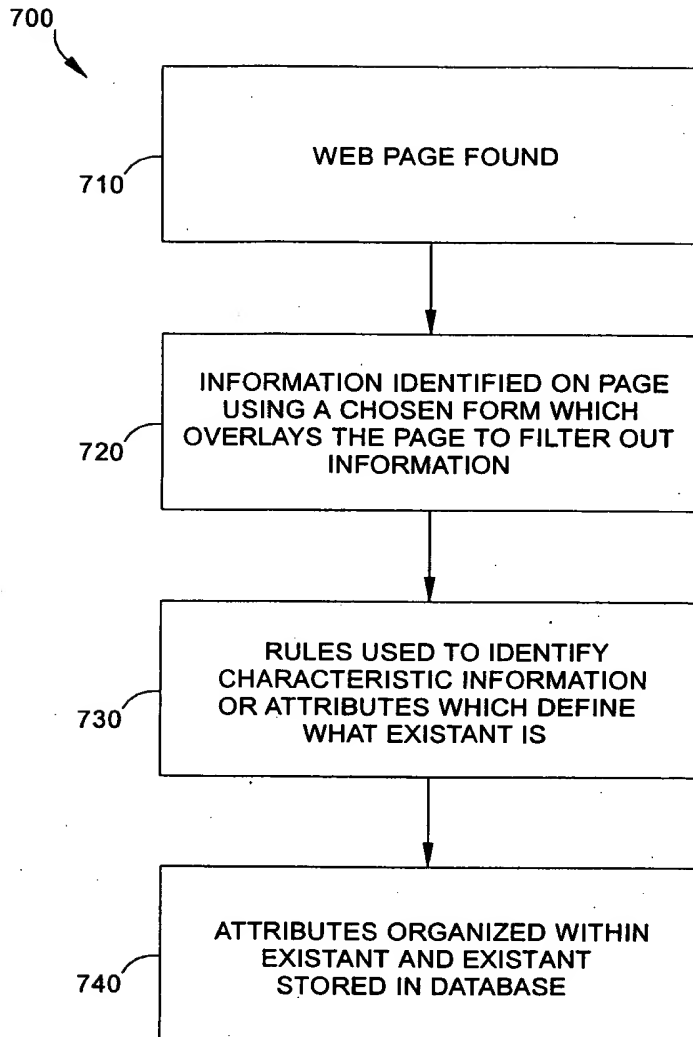


FIG. 7





00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000

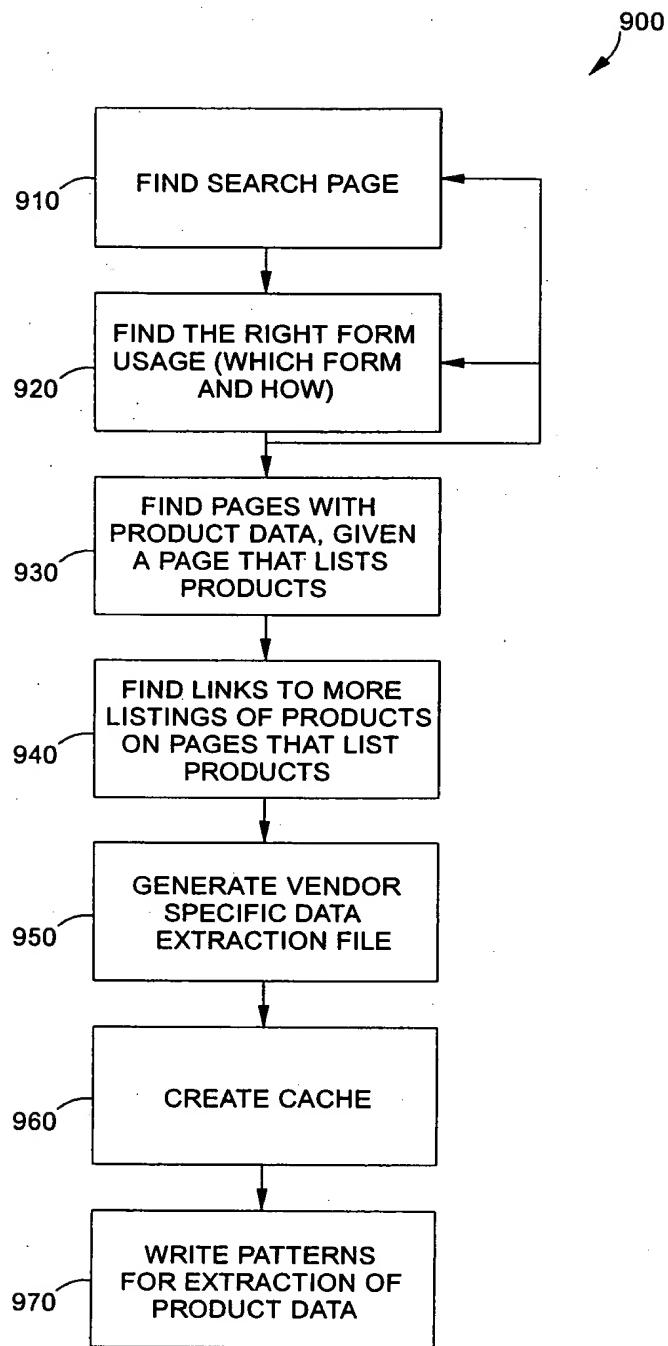


FIG. 9

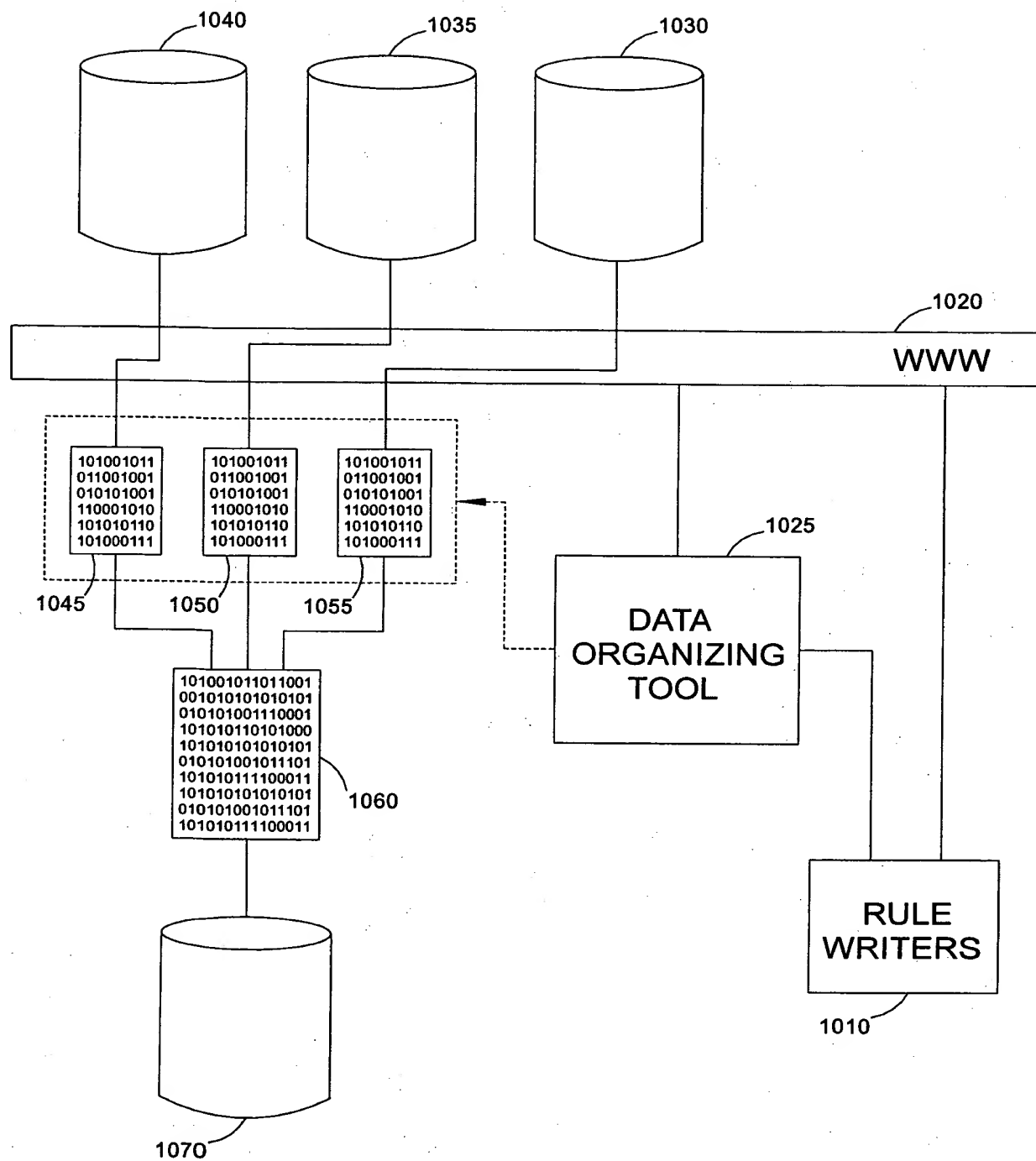


FIG. 10

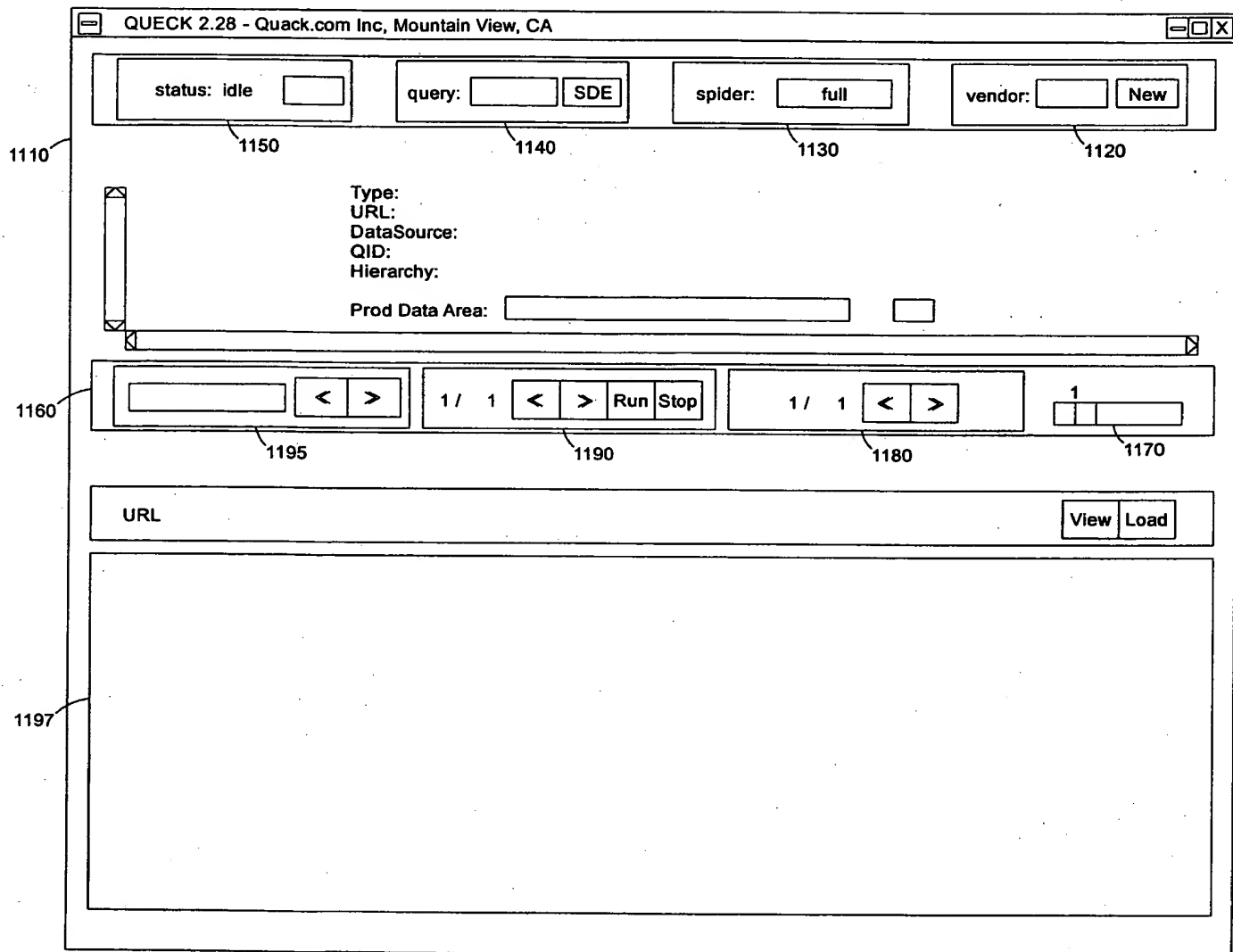


FIG. 11

1200

**NewVendor**

This routine generates initial versions of all files, needed in the rule writing process. If the file that QUECK wants to generate already exists, a back-up of the original file is saved in /home/karen/.QUECK/Rules.bu or /home/karen/.QUECK/RuleFunctions.bu

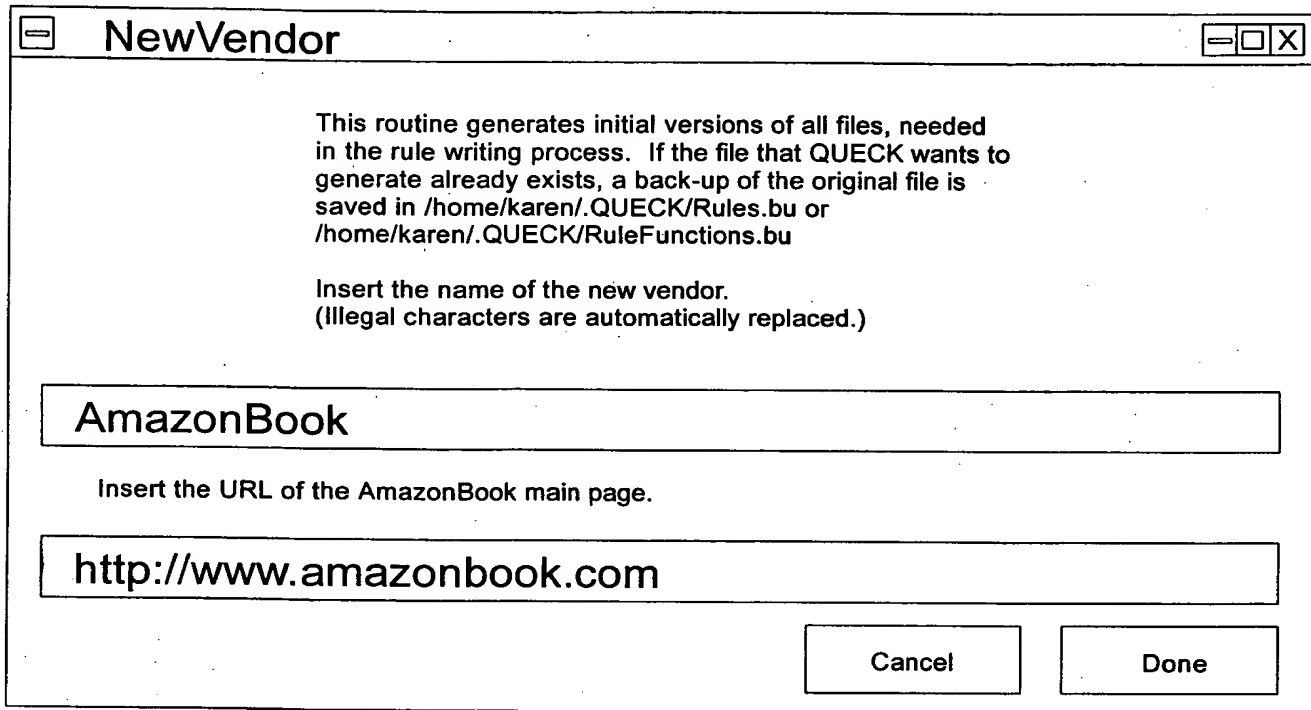
Insert the name of the new vendor.  
(Illegal characters are automatically replaced.)

AmazonBook

Cancel Done

FIG. 12

1300



A dialog box titled "NewVendor" with a standard window control bar (minimize, maximize, close). The text inside reads: "This routine generates initial versions of all files, needed in the rule writing process. If the file that QUECK wants to generate already exists, a back-up of the original file is saved in /home/karen/.QUECK/Rules.bu or /home/karen/.QUECK/RuleFunctions.bu". Below this, it says: "Insert the name of the new vendor. (Illegal characters are automatically replaced.)". There is a text input field containing "AmazonBook". Below that, it says: "Insert the URL of the AmazonBook main page.". There is another text input field containing "http://www.amazonbook.com". At the bottom right, there are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Done".

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Insert the name of the new vendor.  
(Illegal characters are automatically replaced.)

AmazonBook

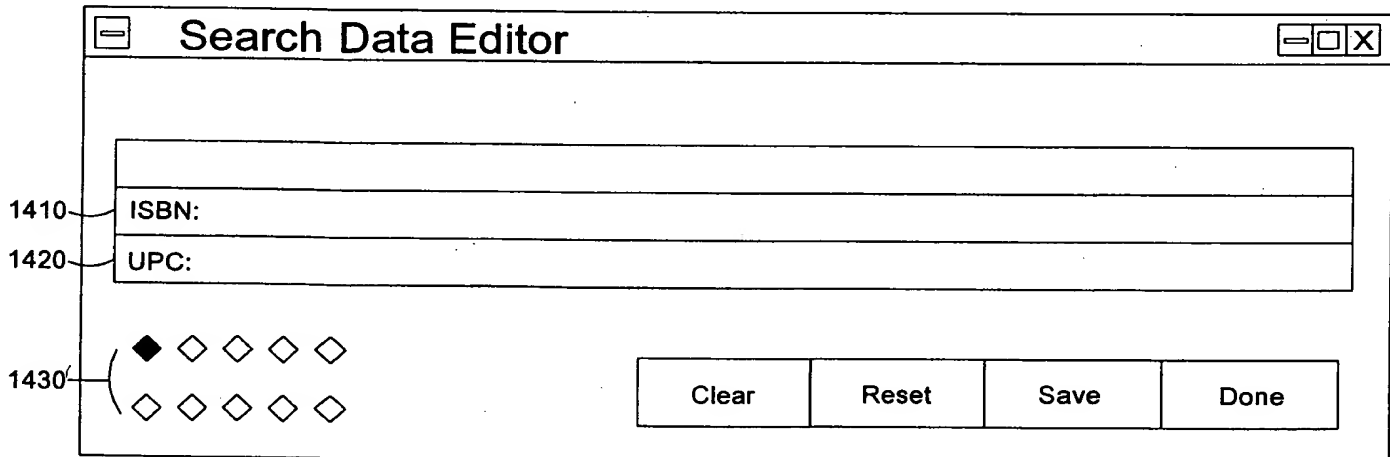
Insert the URL of the AmazonBook main page.

http://www.amazonbook.com

Cancel Done

FIG. 13

1400



A dialog box titled "Search Data Editor" with a standard window control bar (minimize, maximize, close). It contains two text input fields: the first is labeled "ISBN:" and the second is labeled "UPC:". Below these fields is a section labeled "1430" which contains a grid of diamond-shaped icons. The first row has five diamonds, with the first one filled and the others empty. The second row has five empty diamonds. At the bottom right, there are four buttons: "Clear", "Reset", "Save", and "Done".

ISBN:

UPC:

1430

Clear Reset Save Done

FIG. 14

1500

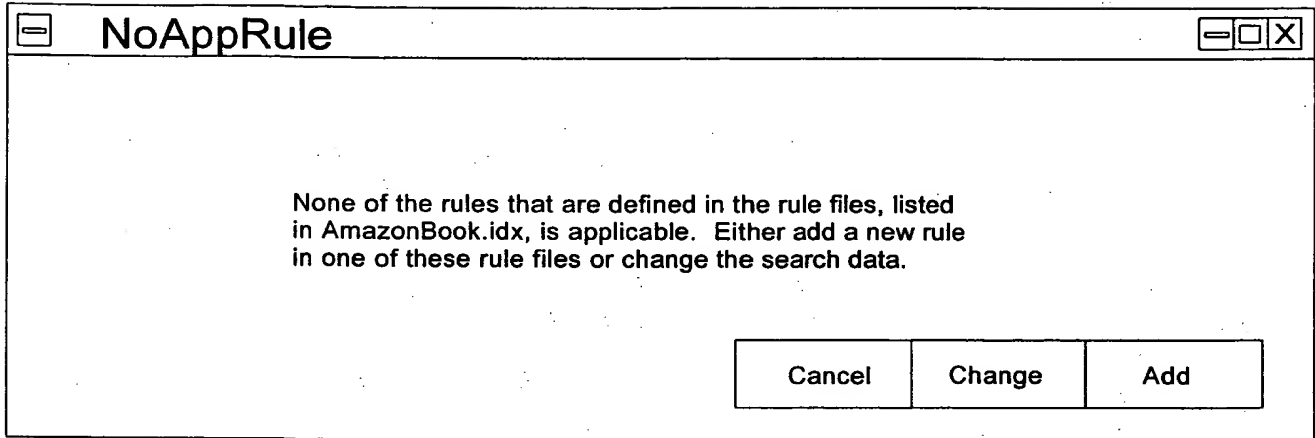


FIG. 15

1600

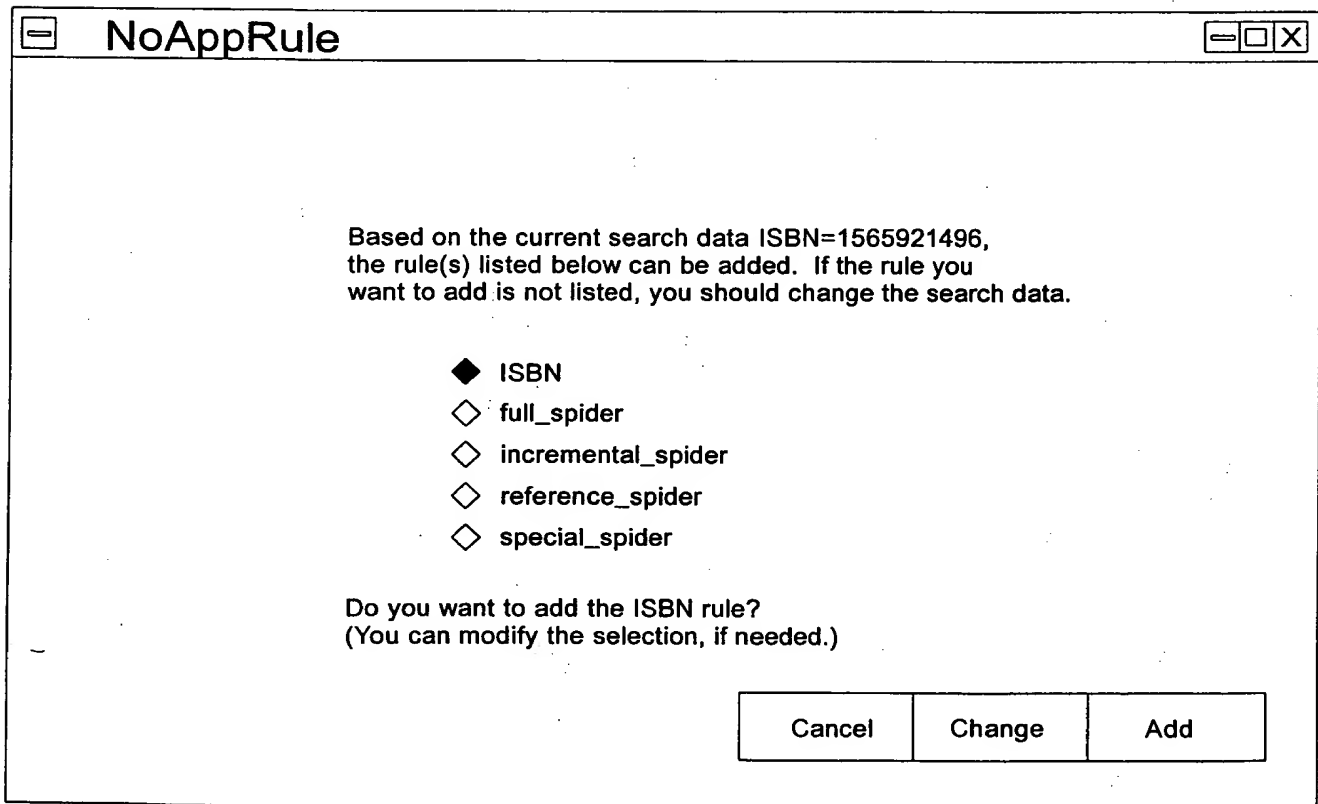


FIG. 16

1700

The screenshot shows a window titled "UrlDialog" with a standard Mac OS-style title bar (minimize, maximize, close buttons). The window contains the following text:

The homepage of AmazonBook is now loaded into your Netscape browser.

Browse to the web page that should be associated to the ISBN rule.  
This must be a web page with facilities for an ISBN search.  
The best choice is usually the web page with the most advanced searching facilities for ISBN.

Press "Done" when loading this search page into your Netscape browser is completed.

At the bottom, there are three buttons: "Cancel", "Again", and "Done".

FIG. 17

1800

The screenshot shows a window titled "VendorFormOptions" with a standard Mac OS-style title bar. The window contains the following text:

The form currently analysed by QUECK contains one or more choice mechanisms.  
Select below which choices should be used in the script of ISBN.

Choice mechanism 1 (selection menu)

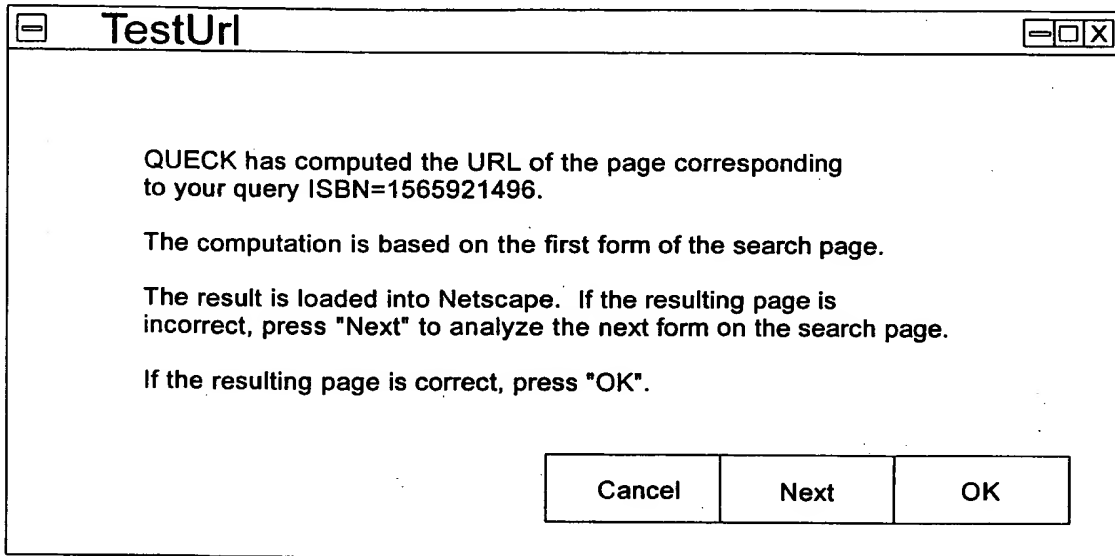
Below this, there are two options, each preceded by a diamond-shaped icon:

- ☒ Books
- ☐ All Products

At the bottom, there are three buttons: "Cancel", "Again", and "Done".

FIG. 18

1900



A dialog box titled "TestUrl" with a standard window control bar (minimize, maximize, close). The text inside reads: "QUECK has computed the URL of the page corresponding to your query ISBN=1565921496. The computation is based on the first form of the search page. The result is loaded into Netscape. If the resulting page is incorrect, press 'Next' to analyze the next form on the search page. If the resulting page is correct, press 'OK'." At the bottom right, there are three buttons: "Cancel", "Next", and "OK".

TestUrl

QUECK has computed the URL of the page corresponding to your query ISBN=1565921496.

The computation is based on the first form of the search page.

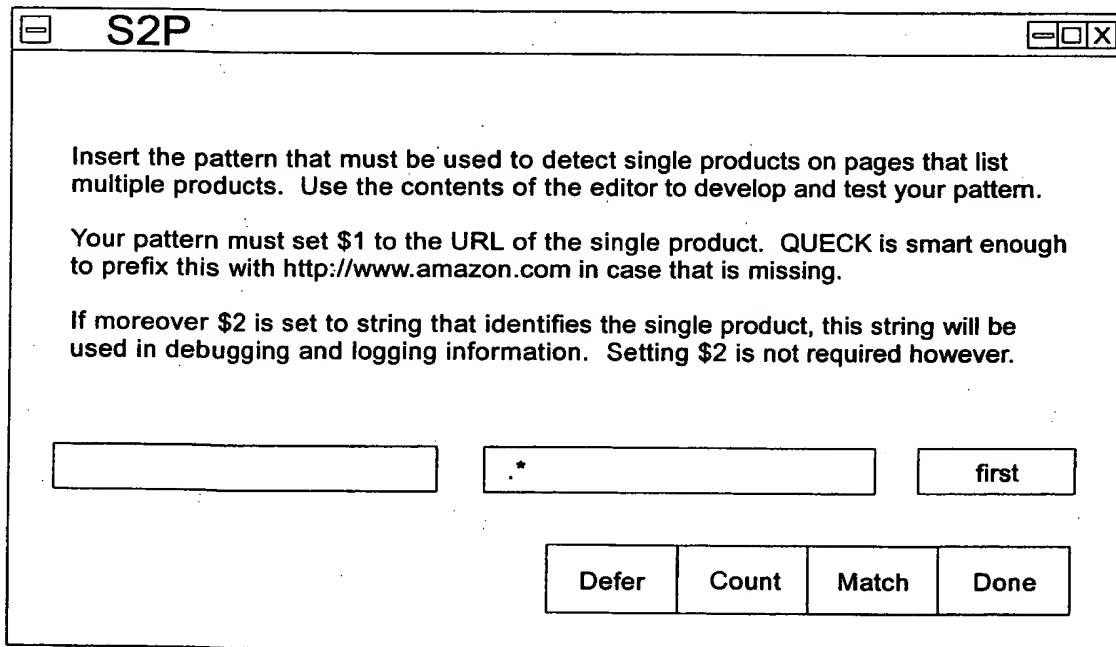
The result is loaded into Netscape. If the resulting page is incorrect, press "Next" to analyze the next form on the search page.

If the resulting page is correct, press "OK".

Cancel Next OK

FIG. 19

2000



A dialog box titled "S2P" with a standard window control bar (minimize, maximize, close). The text inside reads: "Insert the pattern that must be used to detect single products on pages that list multiple products. Use the contents of the editor to develop and test your pattern. Your pattern must set \$1 to the URL of the single product. QUECK is smart enough to prefix this with http://www.amazon.com in case that is missing. If moreover \$2 is set to string that identifies the single product, this string will be used in debugging and logging information. Setting \$2 is not required however." Below the text are three input fields: an empty text box, a text box containing a single asterisk (\*), and a text box containing the word "first". At the bottom right, there are four buttons: "Defer", "Count", "Match", and "Done".

S2P

Insert the pattern that must be used to detect single products on pages that list multiple products. Use the contents of the editor to develop and test your pattern.

Your pattern must set \$1 to the URL of the single product. QUECK is smart enough to prefix this with http://www.amazon.com in case that is missing.

If moreover \$2 is set to string that identifies the single product, this string will be used in debugging and logging information. Setting \$2 is not required however.

\* first

Defer Count Match Done

FIG. 20



2100

**NSP**

Insert the pattern that must be used to detect links on multiple products pages to even more multiple product pages. Use the "Match" button to test your pattern.

Your pattern must set \$1 to the URL of the new multiple product page. QUECK is smart enough to prefix this with <http://www.amazon.com> in case that is missing.

If your query does not generate enough product hits to have more than one multiple product page, you can choose "Defer" and defer the configuration until you run a query that actually does generate enough product hits to have more than one multiple product page.

FIG. 21

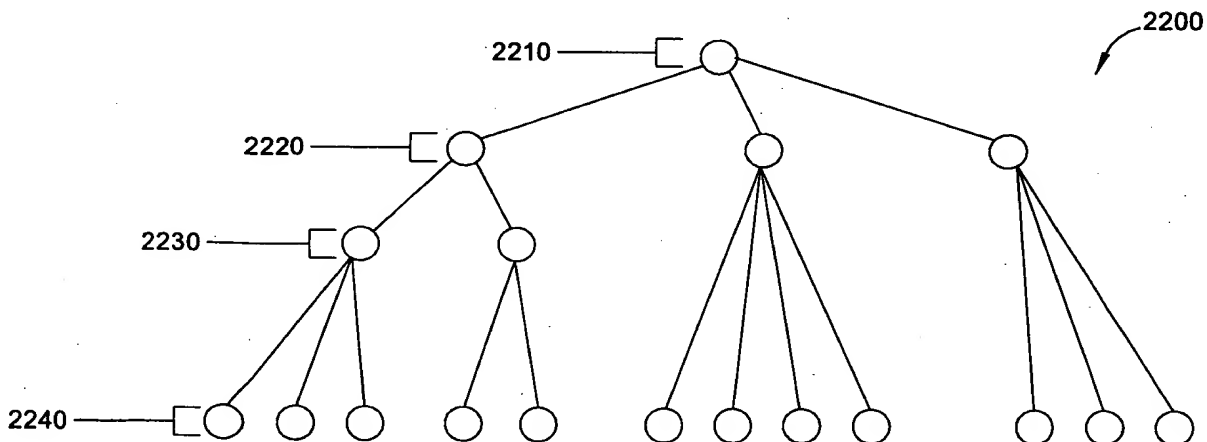


FIG. 22

2300

SpiderSubr

Insert here the URL of the page, currently loaded into Netscape. This is the page associated to the full\_spider rule.

Next, set "SpiderDepth" to the maximum number of links that has to be followed from the top of the hierarchy to the actual product pages. Note that in some cases this number depends on the branch you follow. Setting "SpiderDepth" too low creates a spider that misses products that are nested too deep in the hierarchy. Setting "SpiderDepth" too high leads to a decrease in performance.

SpiderDepth

1

UpperBound

0

Done

FIG. 23

2400

SpiderSubr

<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/subst/home/home.html/002-5797861-2625002>

The spider you specified is a level - 1 spider.  
This means that your spider has the following form:

- level - 0: The top page (accessed via the URL above)
- level - 1: The single product pages to be spidered

Insert below the pattern used to detect level - 1 pages on the top page.

Your pattern must set \$1 to the URLs of the child pages. QUECK is smart enough to prefix this URL with http://www.amazon.com in case it is missing. If your pattern also sets \$2, that value will be used in the hierarchy attributes.

first

1st Level

\*

Cancel

Count

Match

Build

FIG. 24

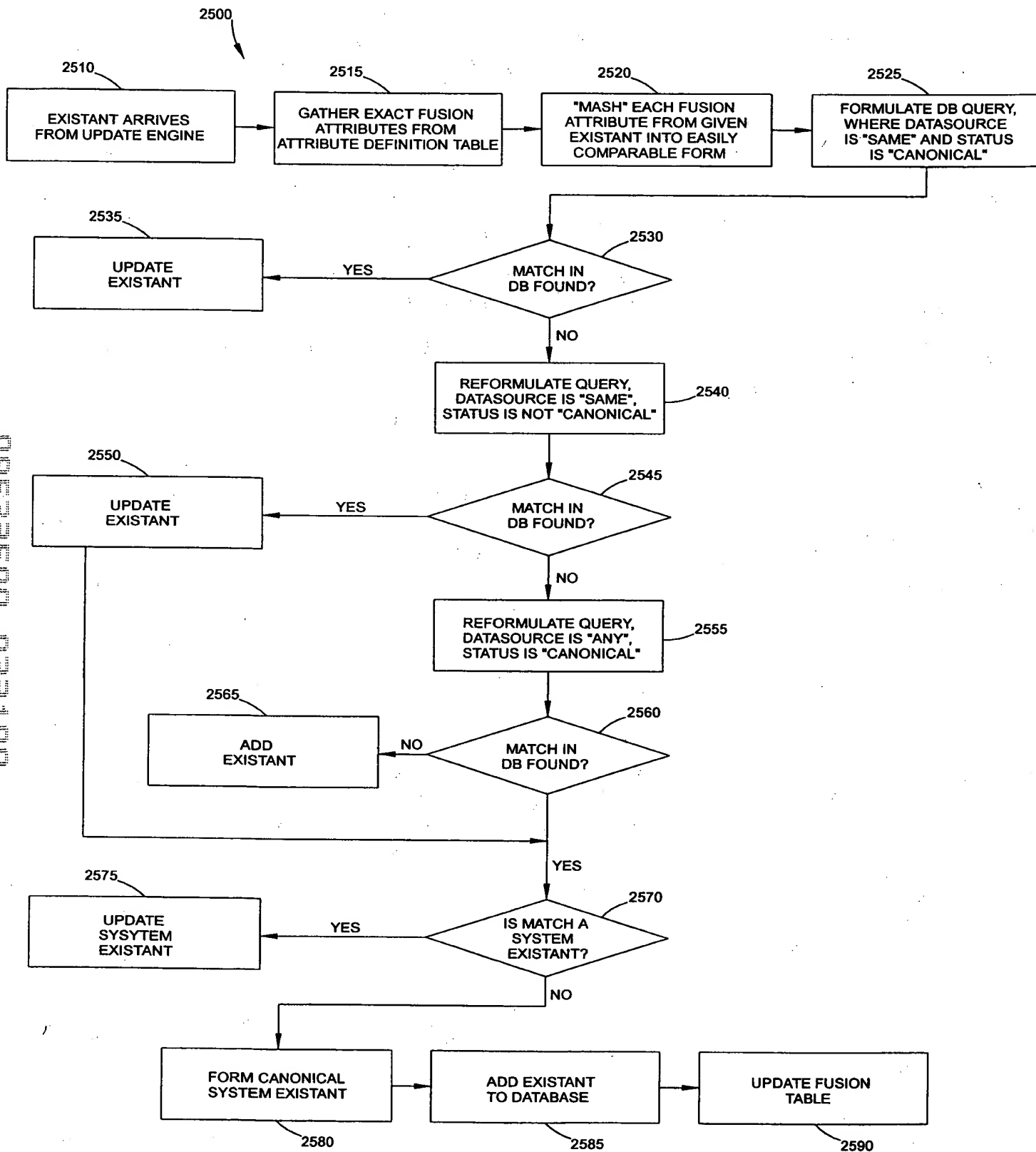


FIG. 25

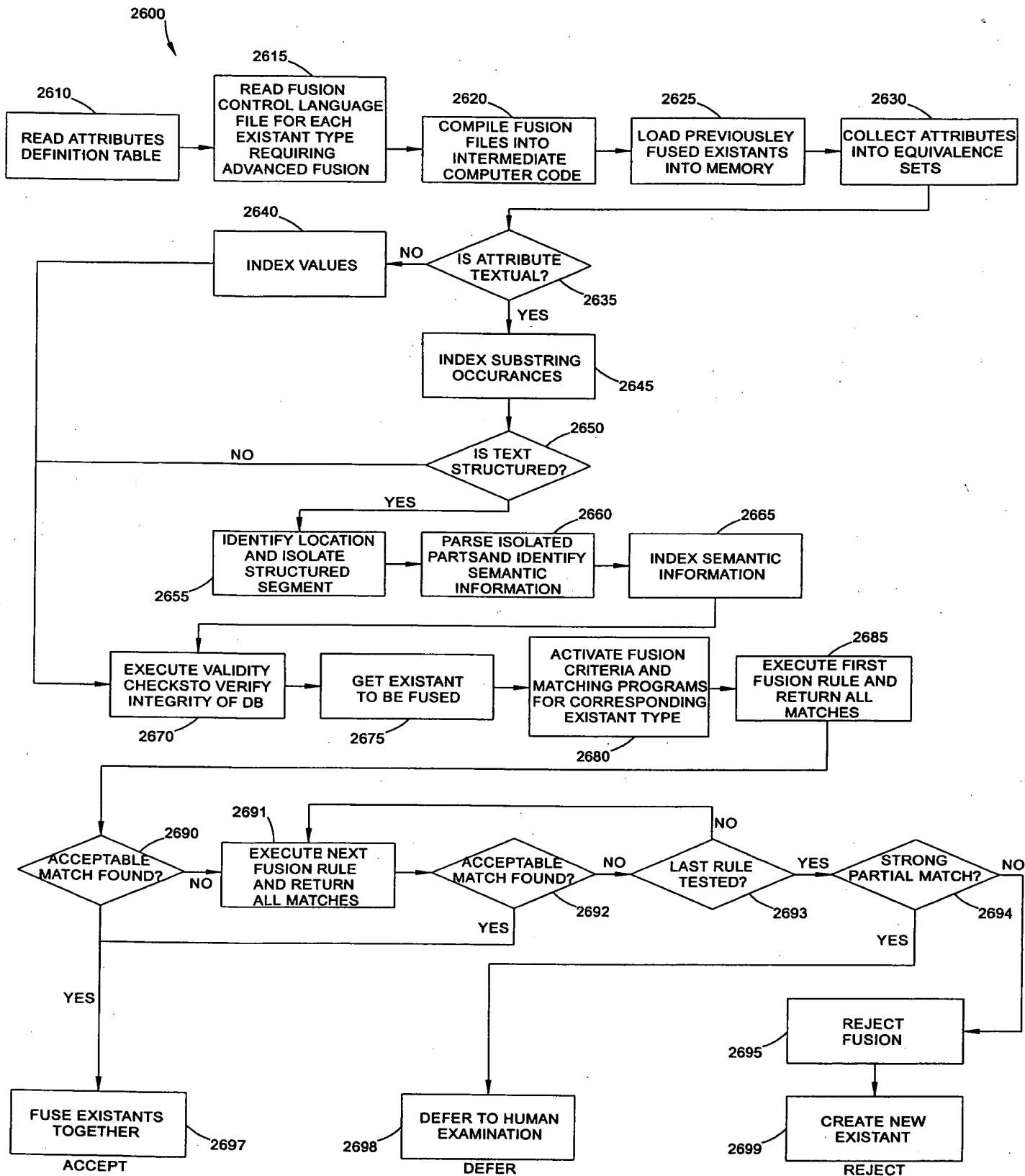


FIG. 26

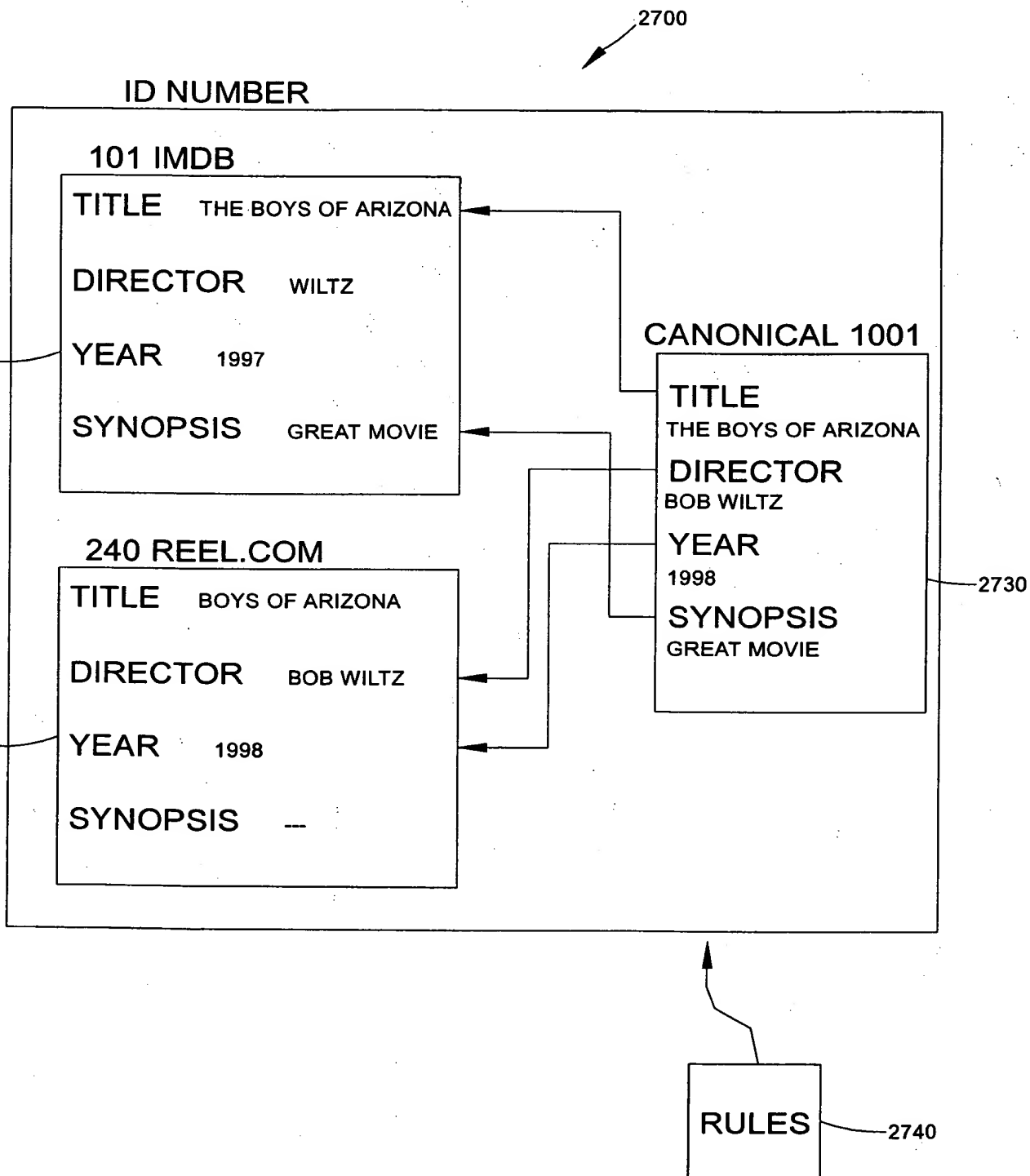


FIG. 27

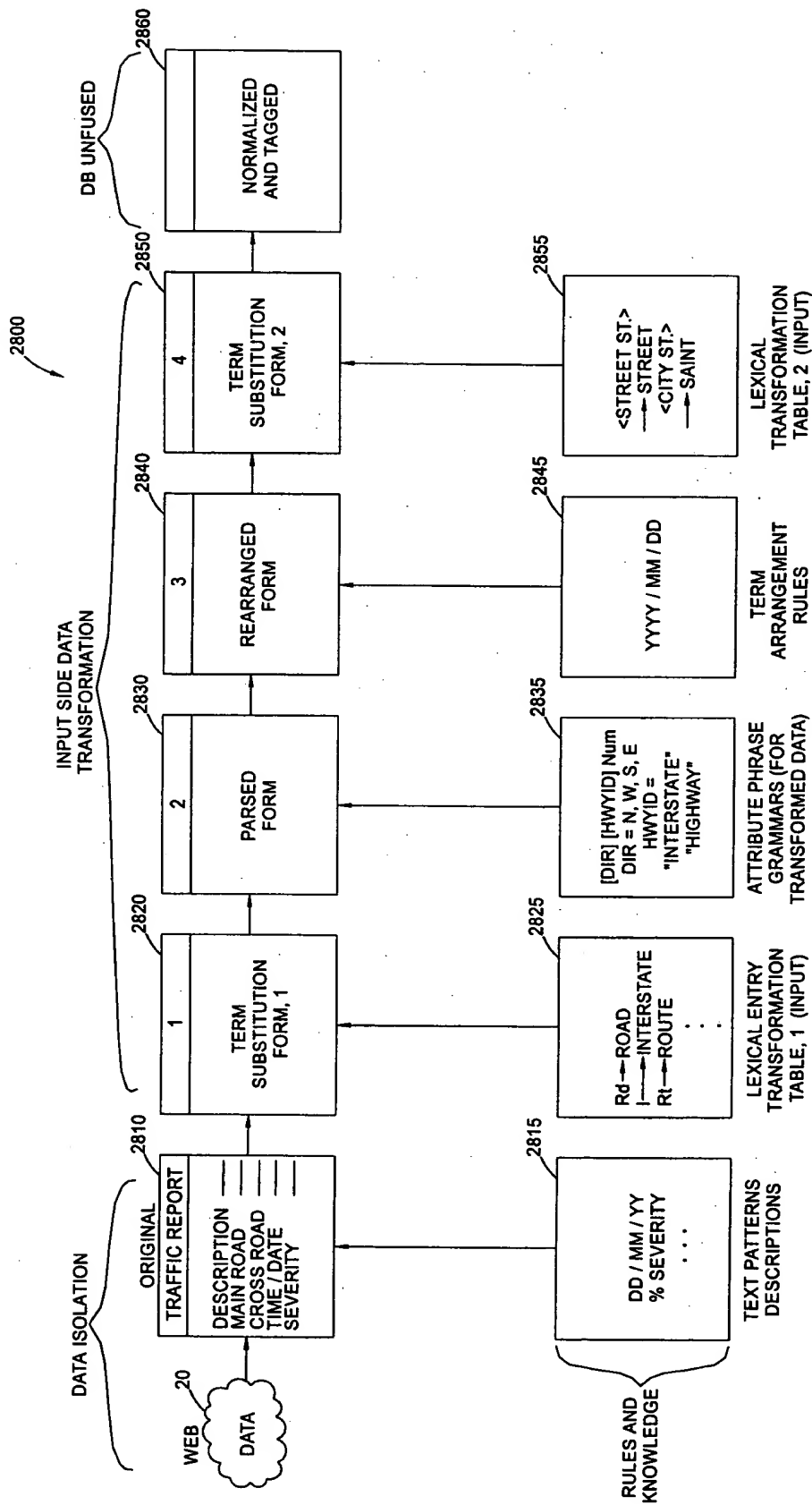
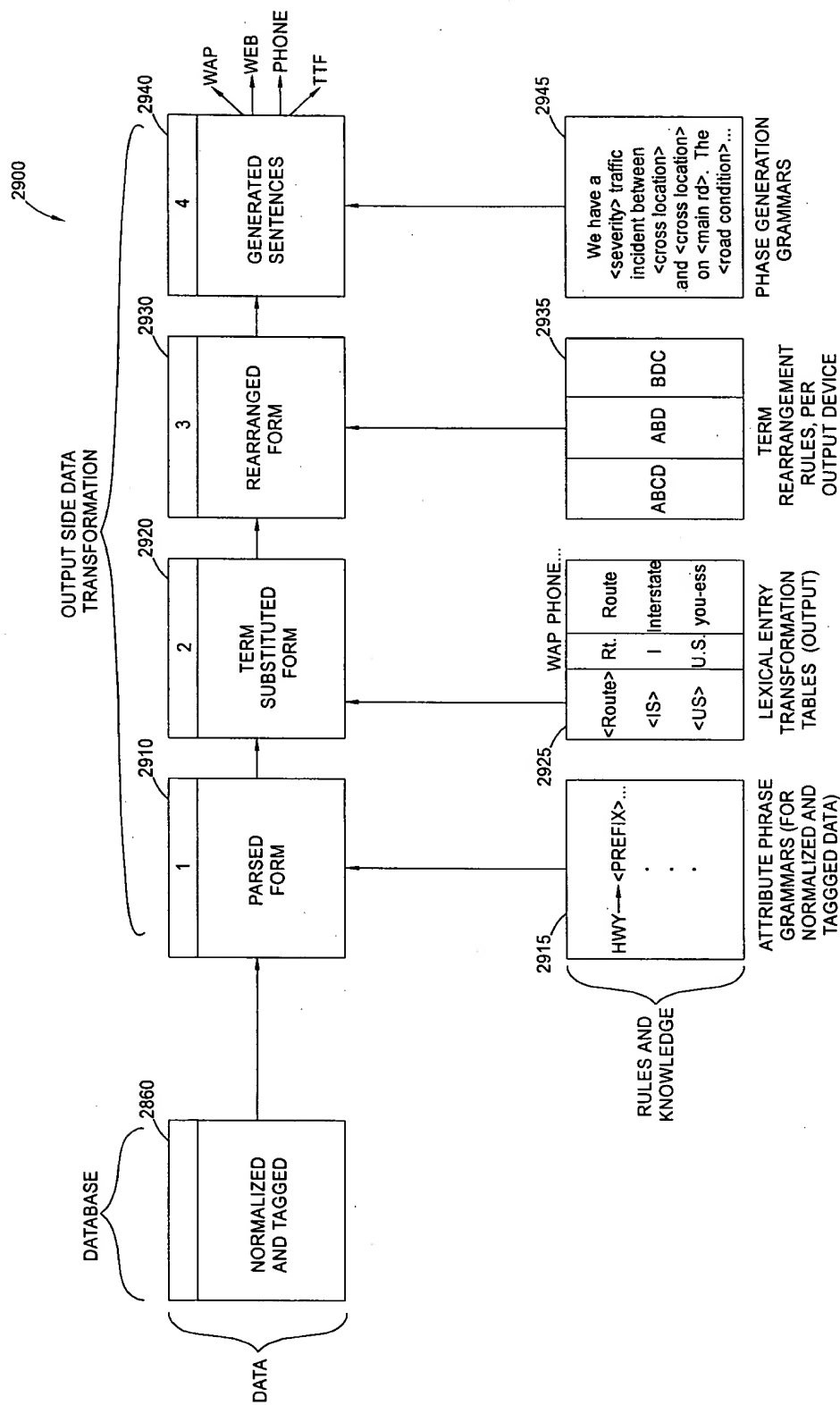


FIG. 28



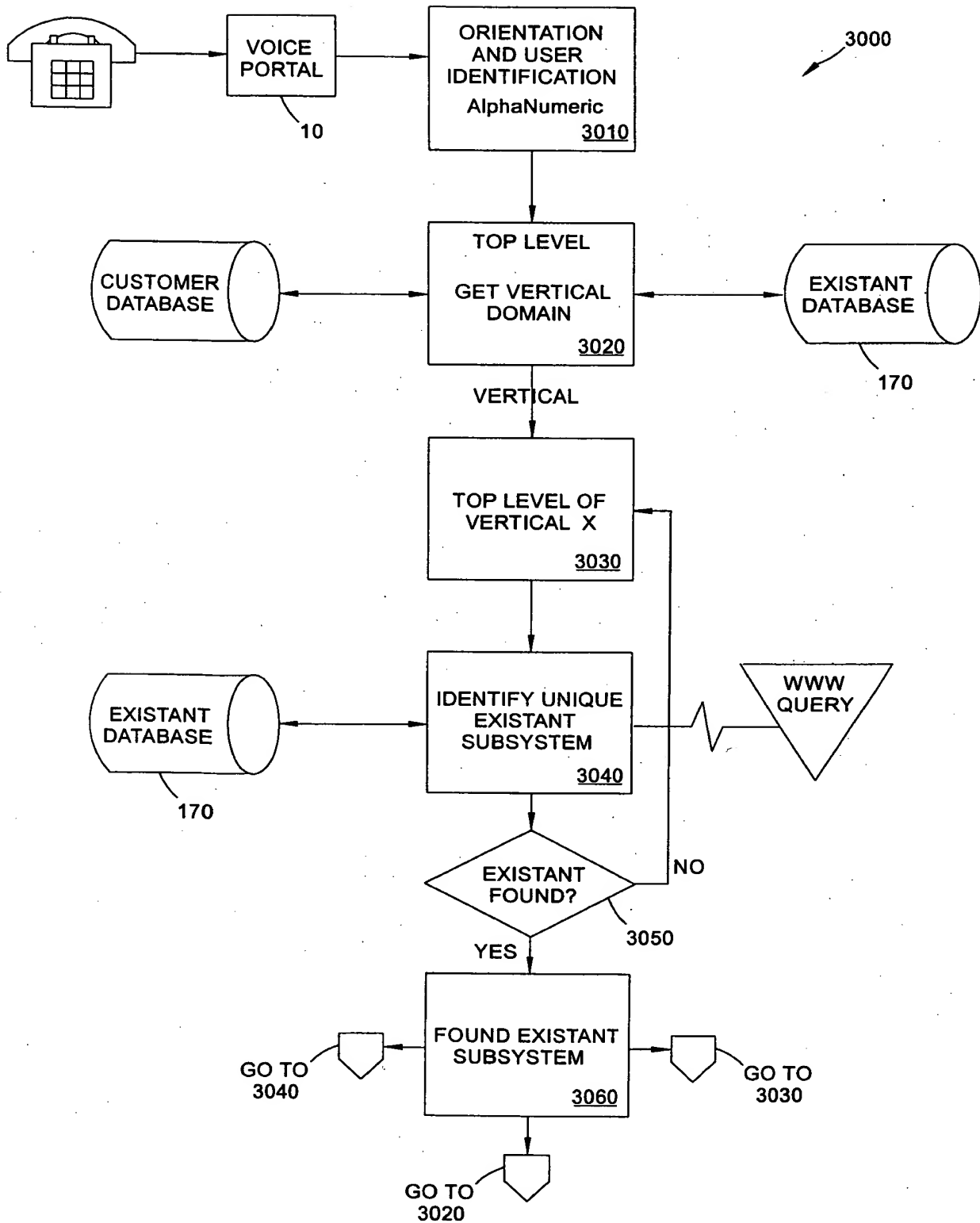


FIG. 30



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graph TD
    3040[3040] --> 3110
    3110[NEXT ATTRIBUTE FROM DEPENDENCY GRAPH 3110] --> 3115[EXISTANT SEARCH FAIL 3115]
    3110 --> 3120[BUILD VOCABULARY FROM ATTRIBUTE VALUE SET 3120]
    3115 --> 3030[GO TO 3030]
    3120 --> 3130[DO ASR METHOD N FOR CURRENT ATTRIBUTE VALUE 3130]
    3130 --> 3140{SUCCESSFUL RECOGNITION? 3140}
    3140 -- YES --> 3150[SEARCH DATABASE WITH ATTRs 3150]
    3140 -- NO --> 3130
    3150 --> 3200[GO TO 3200]
    170[(EXISTANT DATABASE 170)] --> 3110
    170 --> 3120
    170 --> 3150

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FIG. 31

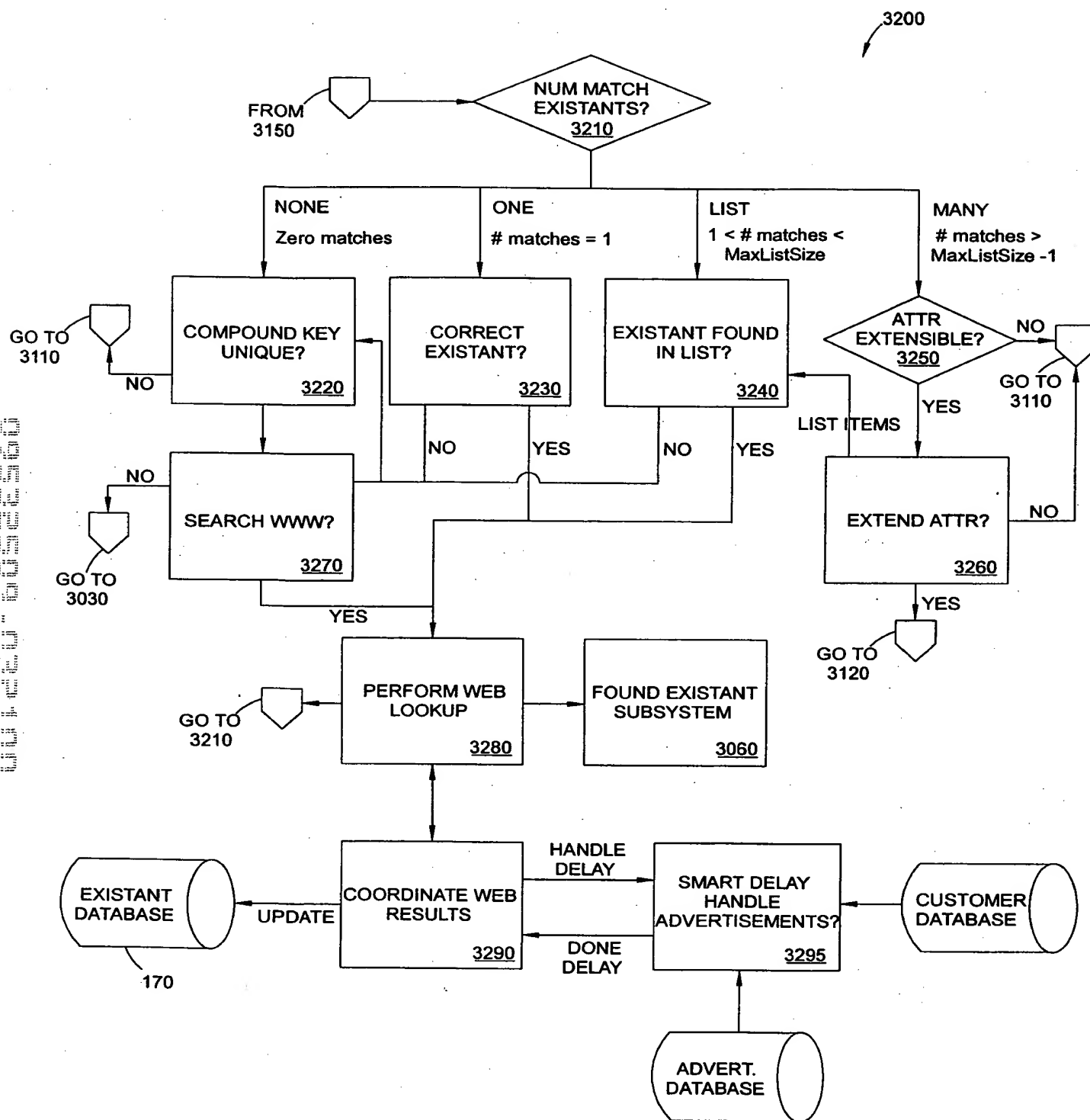


FIG. 32

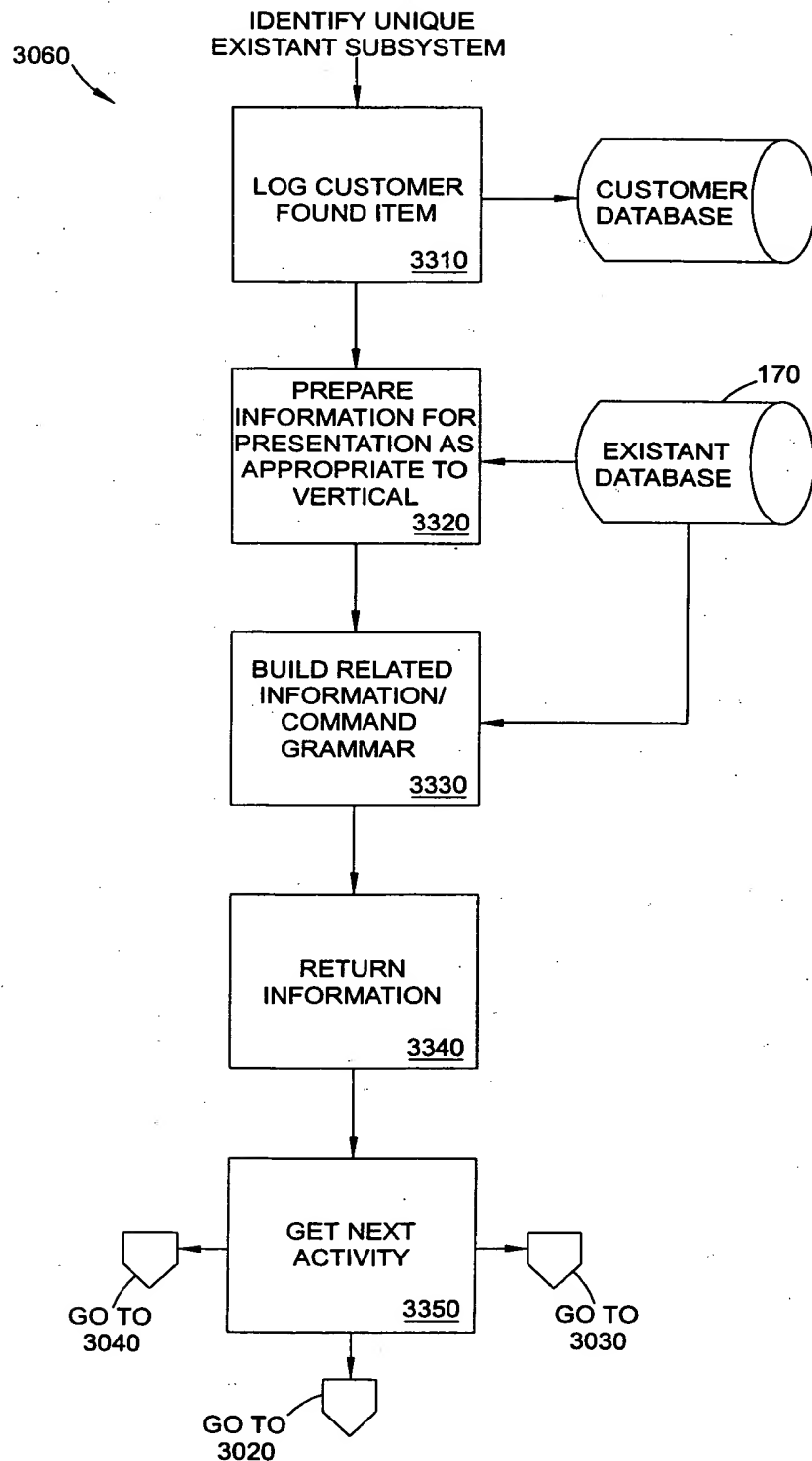


FIG. 33

3400

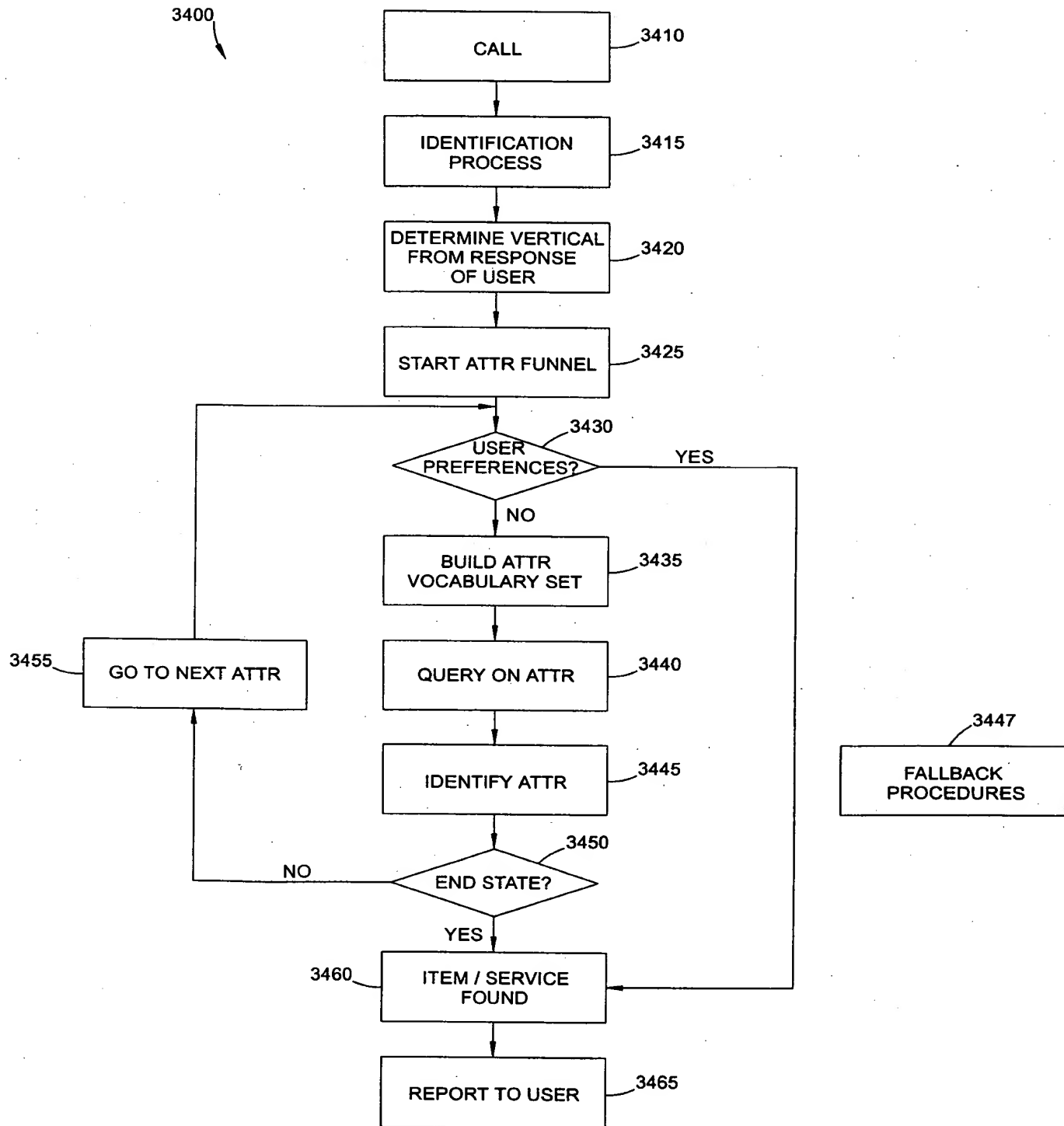


FIG. 34

3500

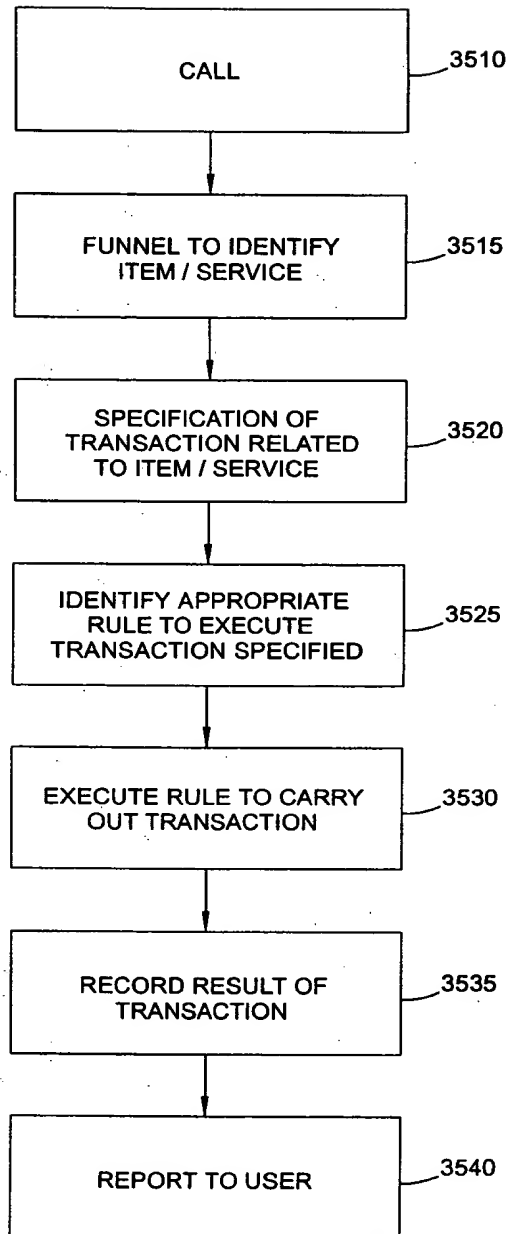


FIG. 35

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graph TD
    3600A[3600A] --> 3610A[3610A: SET SELECTION CONSTRAINTS BASED ON CONTEXT]
    3610A --> 3615A[3615A: QUERY DATABASE BASED ON CONSTRAINTS AND RETRIEVE LIST OF POSSIBLE ADS]
    3615A --> 3620A[3620A: REORDER LIST OF POSSIBLE ADS BASED ON SALES CRITERIA]
    3620A --> 3625A[3625A: CHOOSE AD FROM LIST WITH HIGHEST RATIO]
    3625A --> 3630A{3630A: IS NO AD AVAILABLE, AND IS AD TYPE INTRODUCTORY SPONSORSHIP?}
    3630A -- YES --> 3635A[3635A: RAISE EXCEPTION]
    3630A -- NO --> 3640A{3640A: IS AD AVAILABLE?}
    3640A -- YES --> 3645A[3645A: PLAY AD]
    3640A -- NO --> 3650A[3650A: RESET SELECTION CONSTRAINTS]
    3650A --> 3620A

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FIG. 36A

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graph TD
    3600B[CALL] --> 3610B[USER LOOKUP]
    3610B --> 3615B{KNOW USER?}
    3615B -- NO --> 3625B[USE DEFAULT PROFILE]
    3615B -- YES --> 3630B[GENERATE SET OF ADS "S" BASED ON TYPE AND USER CONSTRAINTS]
    3625B --> 3630B
    3630B --> 3635B[GIVEN CONTEXT, GENERATE WEIGHTS FOR "S" BASED ON AD CONTEXT]
    3635B --> 3640B{ENOUGH CONTEXT TO ACCURATELY KNOW WHAT USER MOST WANTS?}
    3640B -- NO --> 3645B[PICK BASED ON PARTIAL CONTEXT]
    3640B -- YES --> 3650B[PLAY BEST FIT]

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**FIG. 36B**

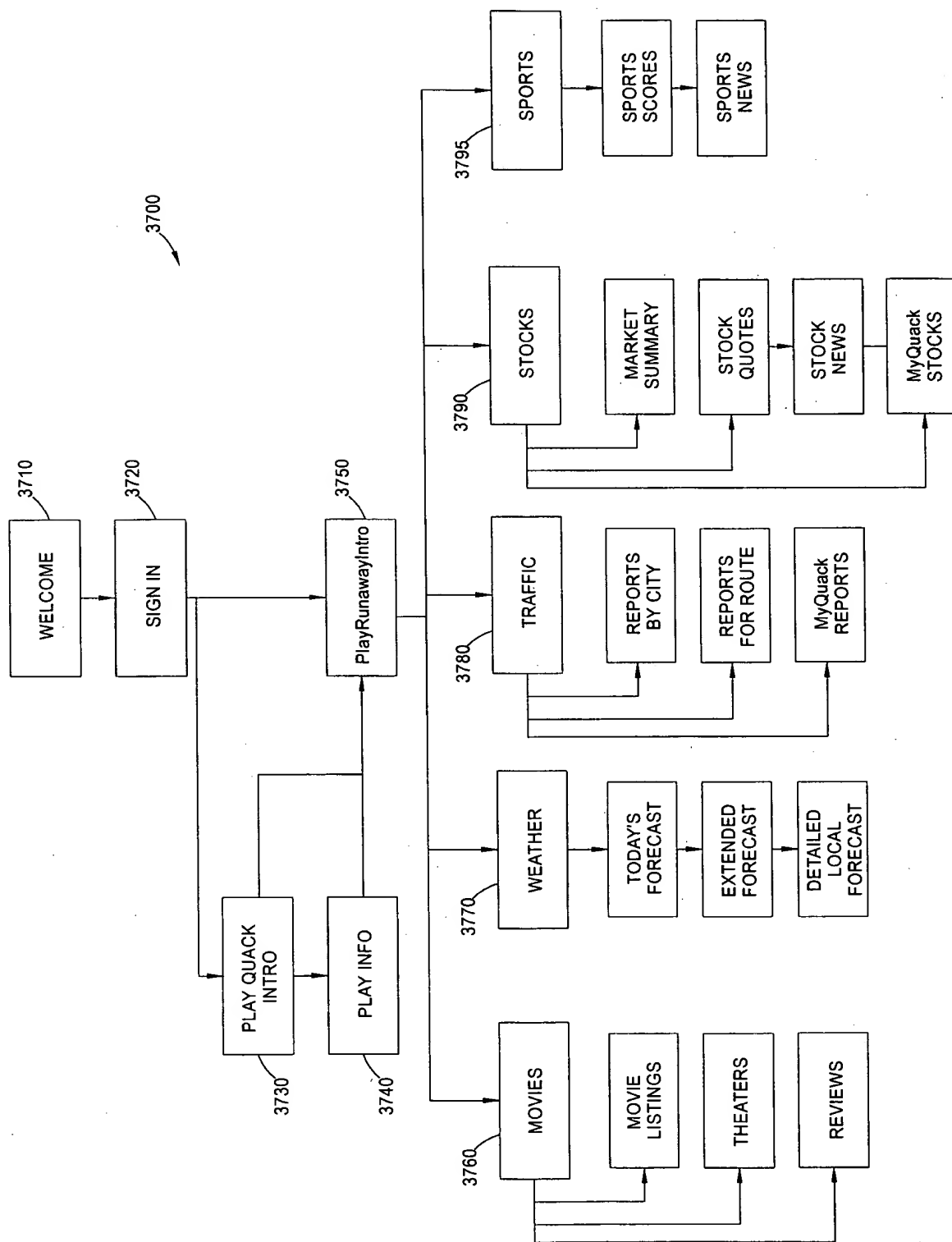


FIG. 37



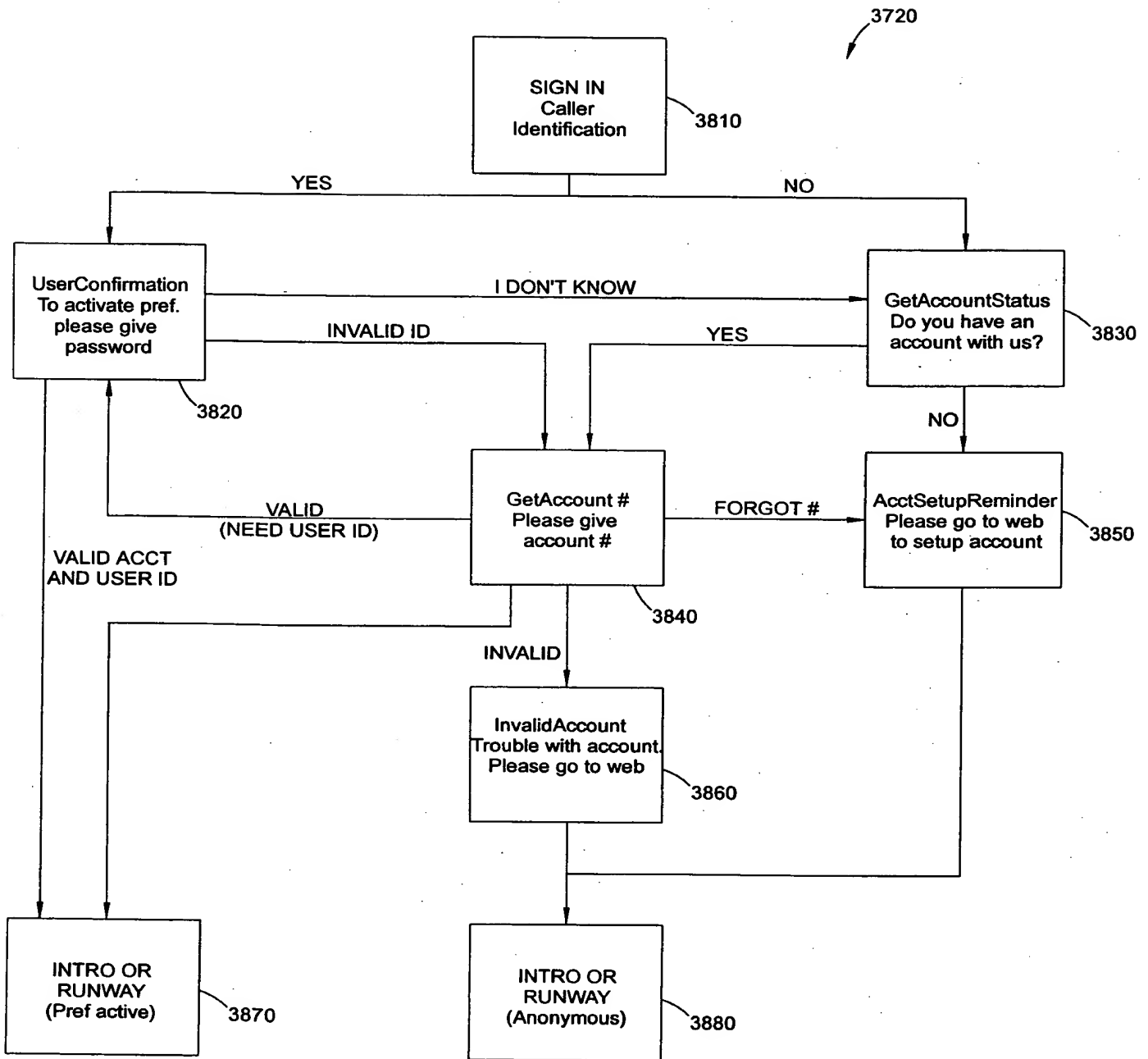


FIG. 38

DATE: 05-06-00

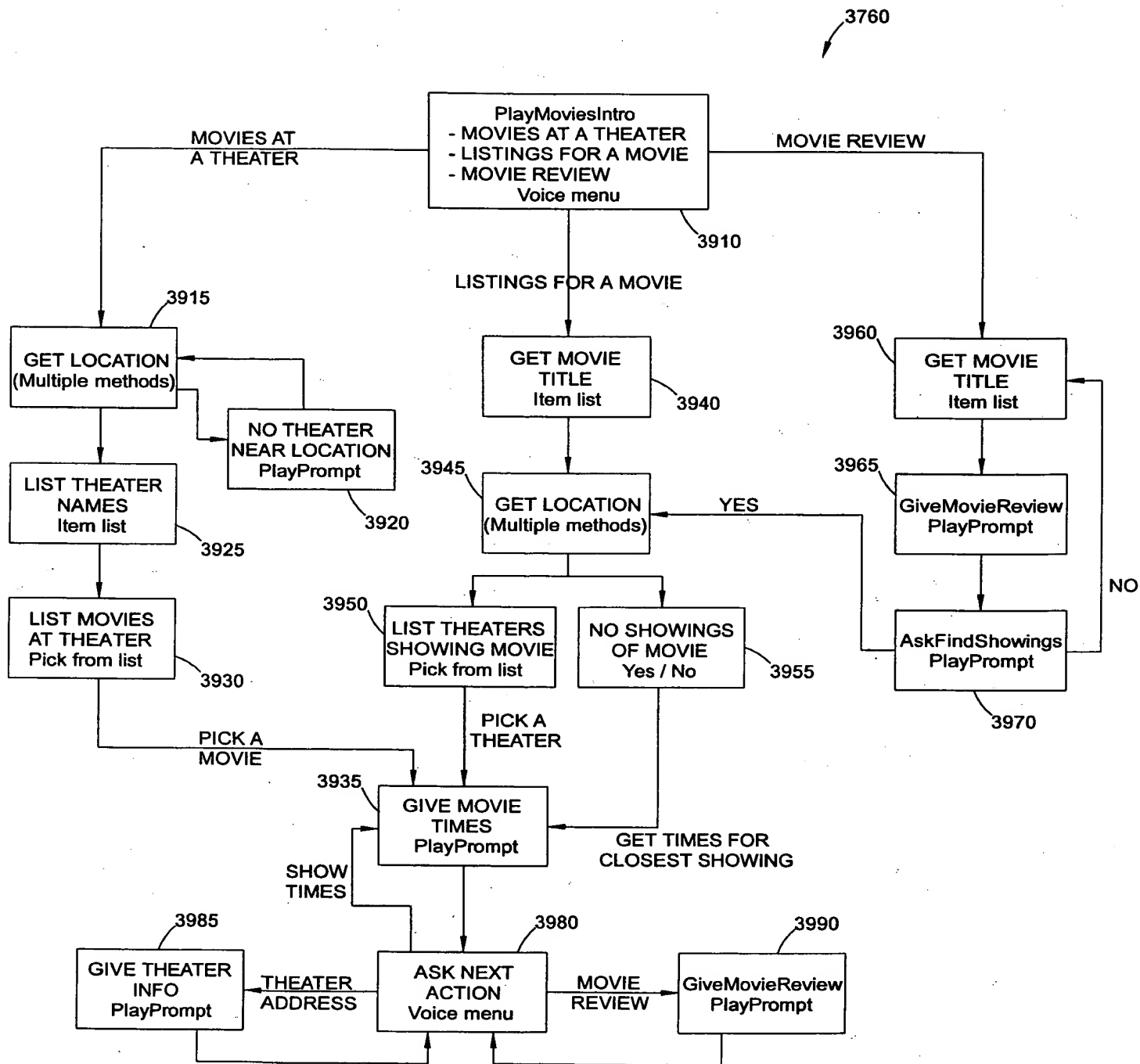


FIG. 39

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graph TD
    3770((3770)) --> 4010[PLAY WEATHER INTRO  
4010]
    4010 --> 4020[GET LOCATION  
(Multiple Methods)  
4020]
    4020 --> 4030[WEATHER LIVE UPDATE  
Play Prompt  
4030]
    4030 --> 4040[WEATHER LATENCY  
OPTIONS  
Play Prompt  
4040]
    4040 --> 4050[GIVE WEATHER  
INFO  
Play Prompt  
4050]
    4030 --> 4050
    4050 --> 4060[GET EXTENDED  
FORECAST?  
Yes / No  
4060]
    4060 --> 4070[GIVE EXTENDED  
FORECAST  
Play Prompt  
4070]
    4070 --> 4080[ASK NEXT ACTION  
Voice Menu  
4080]
    4060 --> 4080
    4080 --> 4090[RUNWAY  
4090]
    4080 --> 4020

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FIG. 40

[illegible]

FIG. 41

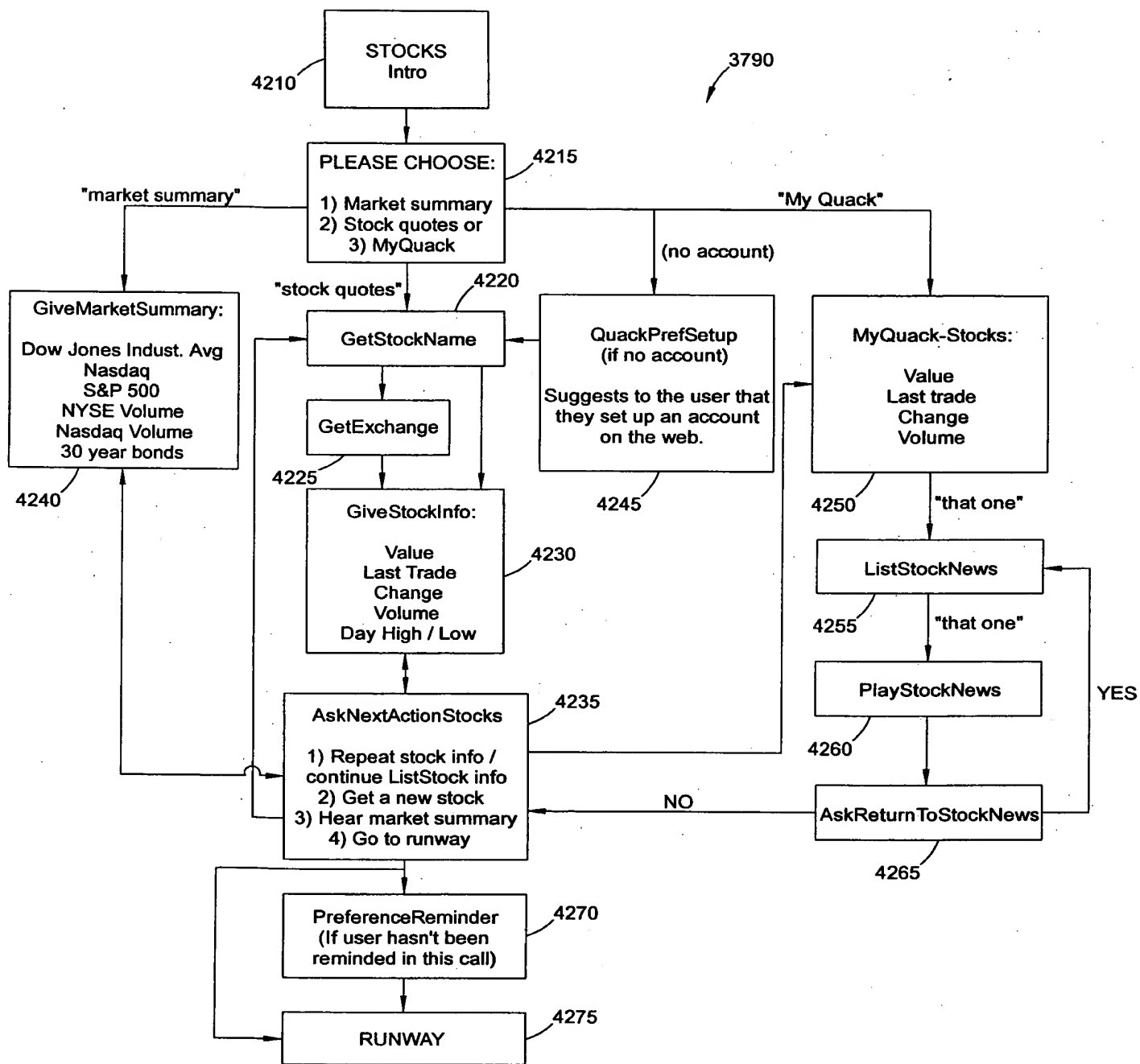


FIG. 42

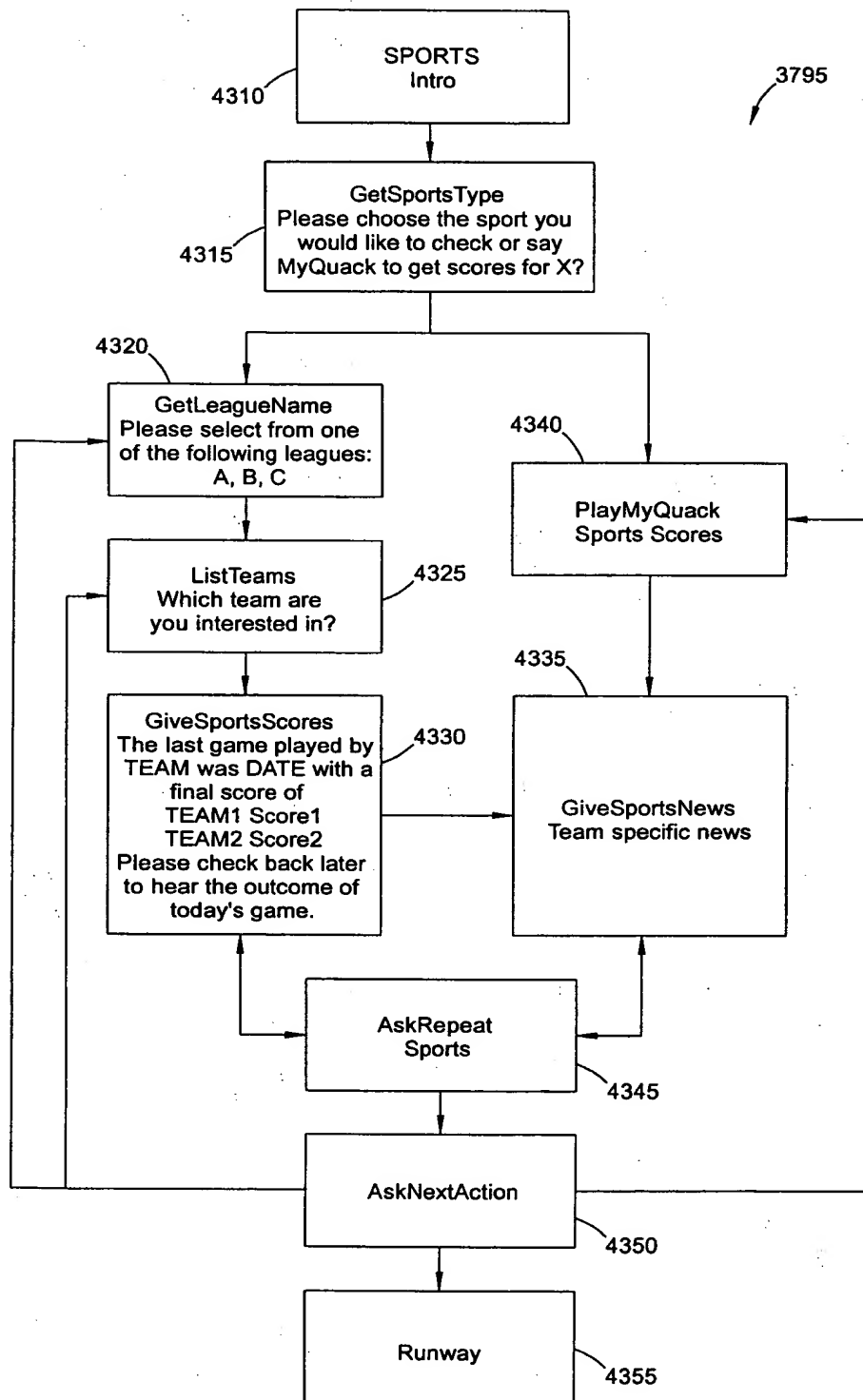


FIG. 43